Appointment of consultants in NCCF

1988 SHRI BHAGATRAM MANHAR :
SHRI ISH DUTT YADAV :
SHRI MOHINDER SINGH LATHER :

Will the Minister of FOOD AND CIVIL SUPPLIES be pleased to state:

(a) the total number of legal cases pertaining to business transaction pending in various courts in the country for and against NCCF for the last three years stating the value involved in each case and the period of pendency;

(b) the amount of fee paid to each counsels engaged in each case indicating their names/addresses stating the procedure adopted in selecting the Counsels, and

(c) what is the Competent Authority in the finalisation of the appointment of Counsels in each case?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF FOOD AND CIVIL SUPPLIES (SHRI D.L. BAITHA) : (a) to (c) The necessary details are being collected by the NCCF and will be laid on the Table of the House.

Imbalance between agricultural produce and agricultural products

1889. SHRI A.G. KULKARNI :
DR. BAPU KALDATE :
SHRI VISHWASRAO RAMRAO PATIL :

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state whether Government are aware of the agitation by different farming organisations in the country to rectify the imbalance between the agricultural produce and manufacture products and if so, what are the details thereof and what action Government have contemplated in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE AND COOPERATION IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE.(SHRI SHYAM LAL YADAV) : No demand from Farmers' Organisations to rectify the imbalance between the agricultural produce and the manufactured products as such has been received. However, on the basis of the wholesale price indices of agricultural commodities in relation to those for manufactured products since 1979, the terms of trade have not moved against the agricultural sector.

Expected production of foodgrains

1890. SHRI A.G. KULKARNI :
DR. BAPU KALDATE :
SHRI VISHWASRAO RAMRAO PATIL :

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state what is the expected foodgrain production particularly of rice, wheat, oilseeds and pulses separately in the year 1988-89?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE AND COOPERATION.IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI SHYAM LAL YADAV) : According to present assessment, the expected production of different crops during 1988-89 is as under:—

Crop	Production *(Million tonnes)*
Rice	68.0 — 69.0
Wheat	50 0 — 51.0
Total Foodgrains	166 5 — 170.0
Oilseeds	14.5 — 15.5